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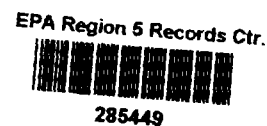
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Re: Clayton Chemical Site

Dear Mr. Turner:

This will respond to Linda Nachowicz' September 27, 2005 General Notice letter to Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. ("WMIL") regarding the above. Ms. Nachowicz' letter is the first indication that WMIL has any connection whatsoever to the Clayton Chemical Company site. WMIL's own records do not reveal any connection to the site and WMIL can make no commitment regarding the site until it has determined that there is some basis to hold it liable. In that regard, please provide the undersigned with a copy of "The RRG/Clayton Liquids Removal, Investigation Report" referred to in Ms. Nachowicz' letter as the basis for naming WMIL. If the report is available electronically, please forward it to my e-mail address. Upon review of that report, we will respond on behalf of WMIL. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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cc: J. Dowden